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**Information Notice**

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To: Radioactive Materials Licensees

Subject: Adoption of Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 35 (10 CFR 35)

To maintain compatibility with the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and other Agreement States that have adopted 10 CFR 35, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is in the final stage of adopting relevant sections of 10 CFR 35 as published January 1, 2008. The proposal was submitted to the Office of Administrative Law, who must approve the adoption, with a requested effective date of January 1, 2011. A copy of 10 CFR 35, (January 1, 2008), is available at:

[http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\\_08/10cfr35\\_08.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_08/10cfr35_08.html).

To help licensees transition to the new requirements, the Radiologic Health Branch (RHB), will hold two informational workshops in both Southern and Northern California (pending stakeholder interest and budget approval). The Northern California workshop is scheduled for December 9, 2010, at 1500 Capitol Avenue, Sacramento, California at 9:00 am. The Southern California workshop is planned to be held in either Los Angeles or Orange County in early December. When the date and location of the Southern California workshop is known, the information will be posted on the RHB's Radioactive Materials Licensing webpage under "Hot Topics" at:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/radquip/Pages/RadioactiveMaterials.aspx>.

The purpose of the workshops is to present a summary of the significant changes a licensee needs to make to ensure their radiation safety program meets the new regulations. RHB plans to provide guidance on the following issues at the workshops:

1. Qualifying training and experience for:

- Radiation Safety Officers (10 CFR 35.50, 10 CFR 35.57),
- Authorized Medical Physicists (10 CFR 35.51),
- Authorized Nuclear Pharmacists (10 CFR 35.55), and
- Authorized Users (10 CFR 35.190, 10 CFR 35.290, 10 CFR 35.390, 10 CFR 35.392, 10 CFR 35.394, 10 CFR 35.396, 10 CFR 35.490, 10 CFR 35.590 and 10 CFR 35.690).

2. Requirements for the use of High Dose Rate Afterloader units (10 CFR 35.615).
3. Methodologies for measurement of dosages or doses (10 CFR 35.63).
4. Reformatting of existing licenses.
5. Enforcement.

In addition, there will be a question and answer period at the end of the workshop during which licensees may have their specific questions answered by RHB staff.

Licensees and interested stakeholders who plan to attend one of the workshops should submit their reservation to the following email address: [Ira.Schneider@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:Ira.Schneider@cdph.ca.gov). It would be helpful for licensees to submit questions in advance so as to ensure that answers can be provided at the workshops. Questions may also be submitted to the above email address, or by contacting me at (916) 440-7976.

Sincerely,

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